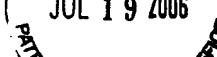


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| REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL MAIL STOP RCE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450 | JUL 19 2006 | |
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-captioned application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above captioned application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** (Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

2. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above-captioned application is requested under 37 CFR. 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required.)

b. Other: _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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| a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The Fees are calculated as follows: | AMOUNT | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Large Entity | <input type="checkbox"/> | Small Entity |
| i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | RCE BASIC FEE | \$ 790.00 | | \$ 790.00 | \$ 395.00 | |
| ii. <input type="checkbox"/> | EXTENSION FEES | \$ 0.00 | | One-Month Two-Month Three-Month Four-Month Five-Month | \$ 120.00 450.00 1020.00 1590.00 2160.00 | \$ 60.00 225.00 510.00 795.00 1080.00 |
| iii. <input type="checkbox"/> | OTHER | \$ 0.00 | | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 | |
| b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Check in the amount of <u>\$790.00</u> is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any variance between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges to <u>Deposit Account No. 50-0206</u> . 4/12/2006 10:00:01 00000067 09603922 | | | | | |
| c. <input type="checkbox"/> | The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fees as indicated above, or credit any overpayments, to <u>Deposit Account No. 50-0206</u> . 01 FC:1801 790.00 0P | | | | | |

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED

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| Signature |  | Date | July 19, 2006 |
| Typed or Printed Name | Phillip D. Mancini for Kevin T. Duncan | Registration No. | 46,743 for 41,495 |